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SUBJECT: PLO LETTER ON SOUTH LEBANON TO SECURITY COUNCIL

1. THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL RECEIVED THE FOLLOWING LETTER ON THE SITUATION IN SOUTH LEBANON FROM THE PLO OBSERVER ZEHDİ TERZİ ON NOVEMBER 10. THE LETTER WAS CIRCULATED ON NOVEMBER 14 UNDER AN INFORMAL ROUTING SLIP.

2. QUOTE

NOVEMBER 10, 1977

H.E.

THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

SIR,

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I HAVE BEEN INSTRUCTED TO BRING THE FOLLOWING TO YOUR ATTENTION:

"THE POLITICAL DEPARTMENT OF THE PALESTINE LIBERATION ORGANIZATION EXTENDS IT SINCERE GREETINGS TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL AND WISHES TO DRAW A CLEAR PICTURE OF THE VARIOUS FACETS OF THE LATEST ISRAELI

AGGRESSION AGAINST A NUMBER OF PEACEFUL TOWNS, VILLAGES,
AND PALESTINIAN REFUGEE CAMPS IN THE SOUTH OF LEBANON.

"RECENTLY ISRAEL HAS LAUNCHED RECURRENT ATTACKS
IN AN ATTEMPT TO INCREASE THE TENSION OF AN ALREADY TENSE
SITUATION. ISRAELI AIR RAIDS, CARRIED OUT ON THE MORNING
ON NOVEMBER 9, WERE THE CLIMAX OF SUCH AGGRESSION.
SIXTEEN PHANTOMS, SKYHAWKS, AND MIRAGE WARPLANES BOMBED
DENSELY-POPULATED CIVILIAN AREAS IN A NUMBER OF TOWNS,
VILLAGES, AND CAMPS.

"THE LATEST AGGRESSION WAS PRECEDED BY A NUMBER OF
ALLEGATIONS AND CLAIMS BY ISRAEL TO THE MEDIA IN AN ATTEMPT
TO MITIGATE THE ENORMITY OF THE ATROCITY.

"SUCH BRUTAL AGGRESSION IS RELATED TO THE ISRAELI
POLITICAL CAMPAIGN AIMED AT CREATING IN THE SOUTH OF
LEBANON A NEW FAIT ACCOMPLI, TO BE ACHIEVED BY EVACUATING
THE VILLAGES IN PREPARATION FOR DIRECT OR INDIRECT CONTROL
OF THE SOUTH. THEN, THE NEW SITUATION WOULD BE USED AS
A FORM OF EXTORTION, TO PUT PRESSURE ON THE ARAB COUNTRIES
AND TO JEOPARDIZE PEACE EFFORTS IN THE REGION IN AN ATTEMPT
TO NULLIFY AGREEMENTS BETWEEN THE LEBANESE AUTHORITIES AND
THE PALESTINE LIBERATION ORGANIZATION.

"THE PALESTINE LIBERATION ORGANIZATION, IN DRAWING
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YOUR ATTENTION TO THESE SERIOUS ASPECTS OF THE SITUATION,
EXPRESSES THE HOPE THAT YOU WILL PROTEST AGAINST AND
HELP PUT AN END TO THIS AGGRESSION.

"THE POLITICAL DEPARTMENT OF THE PALESTINE LIBERATION
ORGANIZATION AVAILS ITSELF OF THIS OPPORTUNITY TO CONVEY
TO YOU ITS DEEPEST RESPECT AND SINCEREST GRATITUDE."

WITH MY BEST WISHES,

ZEHDI LABIB TERZI
PERMANENT OBSERVER

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